

Section 13-1 of Title 24 of the Code of Alabama of 1975, as last amended, now provide as follows:

Sc 13A-8-10. Theft of services - Definition.

- (a) A person commits the crime of theft of services if:
- (1) He intentionally obtains services known by him to be available only for compensation by deception, threat, false token or other means to avoid payment for the services; or
 - (2) Having control over the disposition of services of others to which he is not entitled, he knowingly diverts those services to his own benefit or to the benefit of another not entitled thereto.
- (b) "Services" includes but is not necessarily limited to labor, professional services, transportation, telephone or other public services, accommodation in motels, hotels, restaurants or elsewhere, admission to exhibitions, computer services and the supplying of equipment for use.

Sc 13A-8-10.1. Theft of services in the first degree.

- (a) The theft of services which exceeds \$2,000.00 in value constitutes theft of services in the first degree.
- (b) Theft of services in the first degree is a Class B felony. (Acts. 1978, No. 770, p. 1110.)
- (c) Where compensation for services is ordinarily paid immediately upon the rendering of them, as in the case of motels, hotels, restaurants and the like, absconding without payment or bona fide offer to pay is prima facie evidence under subsection (a) that the services were obtained by deception.
- (d) If services are obtained under subdivision (a) (1) from a hotel, motel, inn, restaurant or café, no prosecution can be commenced after 120 days from the time of the offense. (Acts. 1977, No. 607, p. 812, 3210; Acts. 1978, No. 770, p. 1110, 1; Acts. 1979, No. 79-471, p. 862, 1.)

Sc 13A-8-10.2. Theft of services in the second degree.

- (a) The theft of services which exceeds \$100.00 in value but does not exceed \$2,000.00 in value constitutes theft of services in the second degree.
- (b) Theft of services in the second degree is a Class C felony. (Acts. 1978, No. 770, p. 1110.)

Sc 13A-8-10.3. Theft of services in the third degree.

- (a) The theft of services which does not exceed \$100.00 in value constitutes theft of services in the third degree.
- (b) Theft of services in the third degree is a Class A misdemeanor. (Acts. 1978, No. 770, p. 1110.)

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Under the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, I am guaranteed equal protection of the laws. However, I am have never been able to get equal protection under the law for Theft of Services. You will note that Services includes but is not necessarily limited to labor, professional services, transportation, telephone or other public services, accommodation in motels, hotels, restaurants or elsewhere, admission to exhibitions, computer services and the supplying of equipment for use. I have worked in computer services and have, at times, provided equipment for use over the past 28 years.

I am being refused police reports and arrest warrants when people and companies steal my services, software and computer equipment. Yet, I have been told by the police, sheriff and district attorney offices throughout the state that if the roles were reversed, the people and companies would be able to get police reports and arrest warrants on me. This is not equal protection of the laws.

Apparently, the above agencies prefer to provide selective enforcement of the Theft of Services law as they only seem to want to define Services to include doctors, lawyers, professional services, transportation, telephone or other public services, accommodation in motels, hotels, restaurants or elsewhere, admission to exhibitions and the supplying of equipment for use (for anything other than computer equipment). They want to leave out labor, professional services, computer services and the supplying of computer equipment for use.

In Lee County, I have worked as a common laborer to try to make ends meet and have learned that certain individuals are above the law as they are allowed to steal labor on a regular basis with nothing being done about it. Lee County is also allowing violations of the 13th Amendment - Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction. Certain wealthy people are allowed to force people to work for them without pay and nothing is being done about it. I worked for a group of individuals at a storage company and was never paid. Lee County refused to do anything about this.

All of this has cost me my marriage, company, health, life savings, everything I have owned, plus my ability to pay my bills/taxes and denied me my Constitutional rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. At a time in my life when I should be able to retire and live off the fruits of my labor, I find I am now being forced to work making almost nothing and am unable to do more than exist. The losses I have suffered over the years have been from a few hundred dollars into the millions of dollars in lost revenue and interest. When I tried to approach attorneys for assistance in this matter, I have been refused assistance as they are afraid of "rocking the boat" within the legal system of Alabama. Also, when I tried to obtain addresses for these agencies, I was unable to get any assistance without my stating why I needed the address.


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